

In the Specification:

On page 1, after the title insert the following:

**RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This is a U.S. National Phase Application under 35 USC 371 of International Application PCT/FR2003/001874, filed on 18 June 2003.

**FIELD OF THE INVENTION**

Page 1, before line 11, insert the following heading:

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

Page 3, before line 35, insert the following heading:

**SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

Page 4, amend the paragraph beginning on line 16 as follows:

According to an embodiment of the invention, this echo processing device is noteworthy in that it further comprises means for calculating a coupling variable COR characteristic of the acoustic coupling between the direct signal X1n or the input signal X2n and the output signal Y1n and in that said gain calculation means are adapted to calculate the receive gain  $Gr_n$  and the send gain  $Ge_n$  on the basis of said coupling variable.

Page 7, amend the paragraph beginning on line 30 as follows:

According to an embodiment of the invention the device is noteworthy in that it comprises:

Page 9, amend the paragraph beginning on line 23 as follows:

According to an embodiment of the invention, this device is noteworthy in that it comprises:

Page 10, before line 17, insert the following heading:

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

Page 11, before line 7, insert the following heading:

**DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**